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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Alex A. Peterson et al.
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2006, applicants hereby select claims 83-90 for further prosecution in the above-captioned patent application.

Applicants further elect the Examiner's "Species 8" (FIGS. 21a-21b). Of the claims selected in the preceding paragraph, the following claims are readable on this species: 83-90.

A one-month extension of time for filing this response to the June 23, 2006 Office action is hereby respectfully requested. The Patent Office is hereby

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authorized to charge the one-month extension of time fee to
Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000293-0037.

An early and favorable further Office action is
hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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